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$$R^1 - N + SO_2 - R^2$$
 (1)

### (57) Abstract

The present invention relates to compounds that are inhibitors of interleukin- $1\beta$  converting enzyme that have the Formula (I). This invention also relates to a method of treatment of stroke, reperfusion injury, Alzheimer's disease, shigellosis, inflammatory diseases, and septic shock and to a pharmaceutically acceptable composition that contains a compound that is an inhibitor of interleukin- $1\beta$  converting enzyme.